

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Monday, April 30, 2012, 4:00 PM
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips

Alderman John Clark

Alderman Valerie Joh

Alderman Mike McIntire

Vice-Mayor Tom C. Parham

Alderman Tom Segelhorst

Alderman Jantry Shupe

(arrived at 5:30 p.m.)

City Administration

John G. Campbell, City Manager

J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney

James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Marshall.
3. **WORK SESSION TICKLER.** Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds gave an update on the Netherland Inn Roundabout, noting they are currently working through the legalities.
4. **SCHOOL BUDGET PRESENTATION.** Mr. Randy Montgomery, School Board Chair gave a brief introduction. Superintendent Dr. Lyle Ailshie provided a background for the school system as well as a framework for success. Schools Finance Director David Frye provided further details on the budget numbers, highlighting new initiatives and answering questions from Board members. Mayor Phillips stated he was against increasing the maintenance of effort agreement, noting his concern was that this amount can't be decreased once it is given. There was considerable discussion.

(NOTE: Alderman Shupe arrived during this discussion).

5. **SURPLUS PROPERTY DISCUSSION.** This item was deferred.
6. **REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE MAY 1, 2012 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA.** City Manager Campbell, members of staff and community members provided a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:

VI.AA.1 Public Hearing and Consideration of the 2012 Annual Action Plan for Community Development and Consideration of Resolutions Authorizing the Mayor to Execute All Documents Necessary to Apply for and Receive Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Funds (AF: 122-2012). City Manager Campbell pointed out that we are losing some federal money this year through this grant program. Mayor Phillips noted there was nothing we could do about it, other than control how it was spent.

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VI.B.2 Consideration of an Ordinance to Appropriate Funds Received from the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant to Purchase Technology Equipment and Devices (AF: 91-2012). City Manager Campbell provided details on this item, noting the library would receive twenty-one computers.

VI.D.4 Consideration of a Resolution to Reject the Bid for the Purchase of Three (3) Propane Powered 4X2 Utility Bed Trucks to Empire Ford, Inc. (AF: 117-2012). City Manager Campbell provided information on this item, noting Fairway Ford did not bid on this. Fleet Manager Steve Hightower provided further details explaining why GM (General Motors) did not bid, noting they did not manufacture a 4500 series for this vehicle. Mr. Hightower also answered questions from the Board regarding the transition of technology to greener vehicles. Mayor Phillips voiced concern with one bid, noting it should be worthwhile to obtain more bids. Procurement Manager Sandy Crawford pointed out in the future, the bids could be submitted along with gas/diesel vehicles for the Board to compare in an effort to help their evaluations. The Board agreed they would like to see this alternative for this particular bid and decided to reject this bid at the business meeting tomorrow.

VI.D.5 Consideration of a Resolution Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of Three (3) Propane Powered 4X4 ¾ Ton Pick-Up Trucks to Courtesy Chevrolet, Inc. (AF: 116-2012). City Manager Campbell noted there were three bidders for this item.

VI.D.6 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute All Documents Necessary and Proper to Purchase One Half Acre of Property Located at 808 East Main Street from the Kingsport Industrial Development Board of the City of Kingsport and Ratifying Acts Taken to Purchase the Property (AF: 119-2012). City Attorney Billingsley provided information on this item and answered questions from the Board.

VI.D.9 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Approval for the City of Kingsport's Public Works Department to Enter Into an Interlocal Agreement with the Emergency Communications District of Sullivan County and the Emergency Communications District of the City of Kingsport and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign All Applicable Documents (AF: 113-2012). City Manager Campbell provided details on this item, noting the current Reverse 911 System is outdated. Mr. Campbell further stated the new system would offer quicker service, pointing out that citizens could even register their cell phones.

VI.E.1 Consideration of Appointments to the Cattails Management Advisory Committee (AF: 130-2012). Mayor Phillips stated that members of this board cannot be reappointed.

BOARD COMMENT. None.

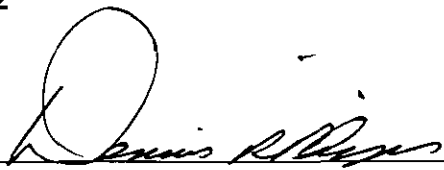
PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

8. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder




DENNIS R. PHILLIPS
Mayor